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## UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

CATHY A. CATTERSON, CLERK U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

### FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

V.

MODESTO VALDOVINOS-MEDINA,

Defendant - Appellant.

No. 05-30474

D.C. No. CR-04-00196-WFN

**MEMORANDUM**\*

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Washington Wm. Fremming Nielsen, Senior Judge, Presiding

Argued and Submitted August 18, 2006 Seattle, Washington

Before: PREGERSON, NOONAN, and CALLAHAN, Circuit Judges.

Defendant-Appellant Modesto Valdovinos-Medina appeals his conviction of illegal reentry into the United States in violation of 8 U.S.C. § 1326. The facts of this case are known to the parties and we do not recite them here. We have

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jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1291 and affirm Valdovinos-Medina's conviction.

Valdovinos-Medina alleges that he was not competent to enter a guilty plea. We have reviewed the record, including the transcripts of the hearings before the district court and the psychologist's letters to the court. We conclude that Valdovinos-Medina's claim lacks merit. *See Steinsvik v. Vinzant*, 640 F.2d 949, 952-53 (9th Cir. 1981) (concluding that no "bona fide doubt" existed as to defendant's competency even where defendant had expressed confusion and was diagnosed as "borderline chronic paranoid schizophrenic").

Valdovinos-Medina's remaining contentions also lack merit.

### AFFIRMED.